### **DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**

# Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration

Working Group on Studying the Merits of Defined Contribution vs. Defined Benefit Plans, Advisory Council on Employee Welfare and Pension Benefits Plans; Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to the authority contained in Section 512 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), 29 U.S.C. 1142, the Advisory Council on Employee Welfare and Pension Benefit Plans Working Group established to Study the Merits of Defined Contribution vs. Defined Benefit Plans With an Emphasis on Small Business Concerns will hold a public meeting on November 12, 1997 in Conference Center C-5521, Seminar Room 4, U.S. Department of Labor Building, Second and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20210.

The purpose of the open meeting, which will run from 9:30 a.m. until approximately noon, is for Working Group members to finish its final report to the Council on the issue, particularly as to the formation of defined benefit plans for small businesses.

Members of the public are encouraged to file a written statement pertaining to the topic by submitting 20 copies on or before October 30, 1997, to Sharon Morrissey, Executive Secretary, ERISA Advisory Council, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-5677, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20210. Individuals or representatives of organizations wishing to address the Working Group on Studying the Merits of Defined Contribution vs. Defined Contribution Plans With an Emphasis on Small Business Concerns should forward their request to the Executive Secretary or telephone (202) 219-8753. Oral presentations will be limited to 10 minutes, time permitting, but an extended written statement may be submitted for the record. Individuals with disabilities, who need special accommodations, should contact Sharon Morrissey by October 30, at the address indicated in this notice.

Organizations or individuals may also submit statements for the record without testifying. Twenty (20) copies of such statements should be sent to the Executive Secretary of the Advisory Council at the above address. Papers will be accepted and included in the record of the meeting if received on or before October 30.

Signed at Washington, D.C. this 15th day of October, 1997.

#### Olena Berg,

Assistant Secretary, Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**

# Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration

Working Group Studying Employer Assets In ERISA Employer-Sponsored Plans, Advisory Council on Employee Welfare and Pension Benefits Plans; Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to the authority contained in Section 512 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), 29 U.S.C. 1142, a public meeting will be held on November 12, 1997 of the Advisory Council on Employee Welfare and Pension Benefit Plans Working Group studying Employer Assets in ERISA Employer-Sponsored Plans.

The purpose of the open meeting, which will run from 1:00 p.m. until approximately 3:30 p.m. in Conference Center C-5521, Seminar Room 4, U.S. Department of Labor Building, Second and Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, D.C. 20210, is for Working Group members to finish their report to the Council on employer assets in ERISA employer assets in ERISA employer-sponsored plans.

Members of the public are encouraged to file a written statement pertaining to the working group's topic by submitting 20 copies on or before October 30, 1997, to Sharon Morrissey, Executive Secretary, ERISA Advisory Council, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-5677, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW. Washington, D.C. 20210. Individuals or representatives of organizations wishing to address the Working Group on Employer Assets in ERISA Employer-Sponsored Plans should forward their request to the Executive Secretary or telephone (202) 219-8753. Oral presentations will be limited to 10 minutes, time permitting, but an extended written statement may be submitted for the record. Individuals with disabilities, who need special accommodations, should contact Sharon Morrissey by October 30, 1997, at the address indicated in this notice. Organizations or individuals may also submit statements for the record without testifying. Twenty (20) copies of such statements should be sent to the Executive Secretary of the Advisory Council at the above address. Papers

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Working Group Studying Soft Dollar Arrangements and Commission Recapture, Advisory Council on Employee Welfare and Pension Benefits Plans; Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to the authority contained in Section 512 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), 29 U.S.C. 1142, a public meeting will be held November 13, 1997 of the Advisory Council on Employee Welfare and Pension Benefit Plans Working Group formed to study Soft Dollar Arrangements and Commission Recapture.

The session will take place in Conference Center C-5521, Seminar Room 4, U.S. Department of Labor Building, Second and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20210. The purpose of the open meeting, which will run from 9:30 a.m. to approximately noon, is for working group members to finish their final report to the Council.

Members of the public are encouraged to file a written statement pertaining to the specific topic by submitting 20 copies on or before October 30, 1997, to Sharon Morrissey, Executive Secretary, ERISA Advisory Council, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-5677. 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20210. Individuals or representatives of organizations wishing to address the Working Group on Soft **Dollar Arrangements and Commission** Recapture should forward their request to the Executive Secretary or telephone (202) 219-8753. Oral presentations will be limited to 10 minutes, time permitting, but an extended written statement may be submitted for the record. Individuals with disabilities, who need special accommodations, should contact Sharon Morrissey by October 30, at the address indicated in this notice.

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